

Torrance, California
November 18, 1949

MINUTES OF AN ADJOURNED REGULAR
MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF TORRANCE

The City Council of the City of Torrance convened in an Adjourned Regular Meeting on Friday night, November 18th, in the Council Chamber of the City Hall, at 8:20 p.m.

Clerk Bartlett called the roll, those present being: COUNCILMEN: Drale, Haggard and Jackson. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: Powell and Sherfey. Also present were City Manager Stevens and City Attorney Smith.

On motion of Councilman Haggard, seconded by Councilman Drale, and unanimously carried, Councilman Jackson assumed the role of Chairman of the meeting and invited the audience to ask any questions they might have relative to the proposed Business License Ordinance.

W. M. Anderson, representing the Jewel Tea Company, asked that the Ordinance, insofar as it affected them, be read, objecting to the proposed license fee of \$50, which is a \$26 increase over their present fee. City Attorney Smith asked if he had any legal reason for his objection. Mr. Anderson replied that he had none except for the fact that Jewel Tea only operated in Torrance 130 days during the year.

James Bruce, of Challenge Cream and Butter Ass'n, advised the Council that they had no objection to the new fee but were curious as to the reason behind the increase as cities everywhere were doing it. City Attorney Smith advised it was due to increased costs in maintaining streets and running the City, and purely a revenue measure.

Tom Watson, plaster contractor, advised he was in favor of the increased fees but urged that no distinction be made between resident and non-resident. Discussion followed.

There being no further discussion from the audience, Councilman Haggard moved action on the Business License Ordinance be deferred until the next regular Council meeting. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett read an application from the Kiwanis Club to put on a fireworks display at the Ball Park on November 19th. Councilman Haggard moved permission be granted. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously.

A letter was read from Mr. Patrick, Secretary of the Planning Commission, suggesting hearing dates for Case No. 176 and No. 177 be changed to December 13th as the Council does not meet on December 6th. So moved by Councilman Drale, seconded by Councilman Haggard and unanimously carried.

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Letter was also read from Ida W. Sande, Pastor, Assembly of God, requesting use of Auditorium from January 18th thru the 23rd, and Clerk Bartlett suggested action be deferred until the Auditorium calendar could be checked. Councilman Drale so moved. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried unanimously.

Councilman Haggard moved all bills properly audited be paid. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously.

At 8:45 p.m. Councilman Haggard moved meeting be adjourned. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously.


CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE

APPROVED:


MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE